



The people of The United Methodist Church

DURATION OF SERVICE
MINIMUM OF **ONE YEAR** AND
MAXIMUM OF **THREE YEARS.**
(YOU MAY SERVE AGAIN AFTER A
ONE-YEAR SABBATICAL)

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SKILLS AND INTERESTS TO HELP YOU IN YOUR MINISTRY

- ABILITY TO LISTEN TO AND COMMUNICATE WITH PEOPLE OF ALL AGES.
- INTEREST IN ISSUES RELATED TO THE EQUALITY OF WOMEN IN THE CONGREGATION, THE DENOMINATION, THE COMMUNITY, AND THE WORLD.
- SKILLS FOR RESEARCHING PROGRAMS AND RESOURCES THAT RELATE TO WOMEN.
- ABILITY TO WORK WITH OTHER VOLUNTEERS AND COMMITTEES.

RESOURCES TO HELP YOU IN YOUR MINISTRY

Interpreter Magazine
www.interpretermagazine.org

Discipleship Resources
www.discipleshipresources.org

Look for the following titles:

- *Guidelines for Leading Your Congregation: 2005-2008 – Advocates for Inclusiveness*
- *Guidelines for Leading Your Congregation: 2005-2008 – Women's Ministries*
- *The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church - 2004*
- *What Every Leader Needs to Know*

General Board of Discipleship website:
www.gbod.org

South Carolina Annual Conference Website:
www.umcsc.org

For further guidance or help, please contact
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We are here to serve in ministry with you!

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CANNON'S CAMP GROUND

CHAIRPERSON STATUS & ROLE OF WOMEN

***"To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good."
1 Corinthians 12:7***

The primary task of the Ministry Group on the Status and Role of Women of Cannon's Camp Ground United Methodist Church is to strengthen our congregation's commitment and action so that women have the opportunity for full participation in and responsibility for leadership in our congregation and community.



Reflect upon these questions. Your responses will help you think about students, faculty, and administrators in institutions of higher education and how our community and Cannon's Camp Ground United Methodist Church, and how our congregation's program on the Status and Role of Women might serve them best.

1. What three concerns and what three hopes do you believe people have about the quality of life of women in our congregation, our community, and our world?
2. What three experiences might help people understand more about the contributions that women make and could make within the total life and mission of the congregation and in the community?
3. How could the quality of life be improved for at least one group of people of our community by full and equal participation of women in congregational and community life?
4. How could our congregation reformulate its life to ensure full and equal participation of women?

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE STATUS & ROLE OF WOMEN MINISTRY GROUP

1. **Guide the work of the ministry group throughout the year, including planning the agendas and presiding at meetings.**
2. **Participate in meetings of the Church Council and Charge Conference, representing the Status and Role of Women Ministry group, representing concerns about the status and role of women.**
3. **Help establish guidelines and policies for recruitment, training, and use of women in all phases of the congregation's life and ministry.**
4. **Maintain contact with the South Carolina Annual Conference Commission on the Status and Role of Women.**
5. **Be accountable to the Charge Conference through the Church Council.**
6. **Lead the planning of "Women in the Pulpit" Sunday utilizing both women and girls for the worship service.**

"For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in His steps."

1 Peter 2:21

GETTING STARTED

- Revisit the responses to the questions you answered earlier.
- Invite women to serve on the Status and Role of Women Ministry group.
- Convene a meeting of the ministry group to evaluate and begin planning for the year.
- Talk to people in our congregation and in other congregations who have responsibilities similar to yours..
- Learn about situations related to equality and participation of women in our community.
- Assess the quality of life, hopes, and concerns of women in our congregation and community, in consultation with the presidents and members of United Methodist Women.